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In Re The Application of:  
Xiaoming Ren et al.

Serial No.: 10/078,601

Filed: February 19, 2002

For: SIMPLIFIED DIRECT OXIDATION  
FUEL CELL SYSTEM

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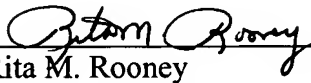
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